

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4952  
INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
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AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

C O N F I D E N T I A L ADDIS ABABA 4463

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, KE, SO, ET  
SUBJ: ETHIOPIA CLAIMS SOMALI REQUEST FOR CORRIDOR TO INFILTRATE  
SOLDIERS THROUGH NORTHEAST KENYA REFUSED.

REF: NAIROBI 9168

1. JULY 21 ETHIOPIAN HERALD AND ADDIS ABABA AMHARIC RADIO  
BROADCAST ON JULY 20 CLAIM THAT DURING RECENT VISIT BY  
SOMALI VICE PRESIDENT KULMIE TO KENYAN VICE PRESIDENT MOI,  
KULMIE REQUESTED KENYAN GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE TRANSIT  
RIGHTS THROUGH NORTHERN FRONTIER DISTRICT FOR SOMALI  
SOLDIERS TO INFILTRATE ETHIOPIA. ACCORDING TO ETHIOPIANS,  
SOMALI REQUEST REFUSED OUTRIGHT BY KENYANS AS VIOLATION  
OAU CHARTER AND 1976 ARUSHA MEMORANDUM WHICH ENDED FIVE  
YEARS SOMALI-KENYAN CONFLICT.

2. COMMENT: REFTEL LEADS US TO DOUBT THAT SOMALIS WOULD HAVE  
EFFRONTERY TO SUGGEST KENYA ALLOW SOMALI-ARMED AND  
EQUIPPED SHIFAS TO CROSS KENYAN TERRITORY ON WAY TO  
ETHIOPIA. FOR SOMALIS EVEN TO RAISE ISSUE AFTER RE-  
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CENT CONFRONTATION (WHICH APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN  
GENUINELY REGRETTERED BY SOMALIA), STRIKES US AS HIGHLY  
IMPROBABLY. BELIEVE ETHIOPIANS ARE MAKING SKILLFUL  
PROPAGANDA MANEUVER TO PLACE SOMALI-KENYAN VP VISIT  
IN WORST POSSIBLE LIGHT AND PUBLICLY REMIND KENYANS  
(AS IF IT WERE NECESSARY) OF UNTRUSTWORTHINESS OF  
SOMALIS AND THEIR CONTINUING CLAIM OF KENYAN TERRI-

TORY. ETHIOPIANS PROBABLY DOING WHAT THEY CAN TO KEEP  
SOME LIFE IN ETHIOPIAN-KENYAN DEFENSE AGREEMENT IN  
VIEW DETERIORATING SITUATION IN OGADEN AND ERITREA.  
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